

10,500 yrs ago 8,500 BC

Paintings on the walls
of Cueva de las Manos
in Patagonia (So. Amer)
show that human desire to
be remembered goes back
at least 10,500 yrs.

8500-7500 BC

Nemik on the upper Tigris R.

8,500 BC

Dog domesticated in North America

10,500 yrs ago = 8,500 BC

Amerindians in South tip
of South America.

8500 BC

Microlithic tools used by 1st
postglacial inhabitants
of the Sahara

Beginnings of Sahara rock art
depicting wild and later
domesticated animals

8500 B.C.

Earliest tentative evidence
for the cultivation of grosses, beans,
peppers and squash (Peru)

8,500 BC

military walls in towns

8500 → 6,500 BC

10,500 YA → 8,500 YA

The Agricultural Transformation

Successful domestication of plants and animals ultimately allowed a larger, more secure food supply.

General population growth and increasing numbers of permanent communities

Accompanied the introduction of agriculture
Almost every aspect of society was

altered. Family structure and the roles and status of women were radically altered by the rapidly changing lifestyle engendered by domestication the concept of property.

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